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Old Friends and New at Sully Quilt Show and Sale

Experience the colors and patterns of traditional quilts from over 40 vendors at Sully Historic Site's 34th Annual Quilt Show & Sale on Sunday, September 9, 2007 from 10 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Merchants will tempt shoppers with antique and new American-made quilts, books, patterns, fabrics, antique linens, textile arts, stained glass and jewelry.

Tour the 1794 home of Richard Bland Lee, northern Virginia's first congressman and see antique quilts displayed on period beds throughout the house. The quilts reflect this year's theme, *Stitches of Friendship: Quilts from the Quaker Community*. Additionally, visitors will see the current exhibit, *Clothing for the Colonies*, showing fashions and accessories loaned by local collector and educator, Mary Doering. This exhibit includes rare fabric samples from the 16th and 17th centuries.

Throughout the day, Northern Virginia Quilters Unlimited will provide demonstrations and talks on quilting techniques. Children can try their hand at quilting. Living history interpreters will demonstrate spinning, weaving and hand sewing as it was done in the 18th and 19th centuries. Appraisers will be available to evaluate your family heirloom quilts for \$10 per quilt with a limit of two quilts.

Musical entertainment will be provided by the Fairfax Symphony German Band, String Quartet and Woodwind Quintet. Food vendors will be selling a variety of treats and visitors can see how sweet, delicious kettle corn is made.

Sully's door prize quilt has been pieced by members of the Hayfield Country Quilters with quilting done by Kathryn Gray at The Finishing Touch. Each adult or senior admission ticket includes a chance to win this beautiful prize!

Admission to the Quilt Show is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and \$5 for children. For more information, contact Sully at 703-437-1794.

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Directions: Sully Historic Site is in Chantilly. Located on Route 28, one-quarter mile north of Route 50 and four miles south of the Dulles Toll Road. For directions, see our website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/Sully

Media Note: For electronic images of the festivities in the past visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/sully/mediaphotos.htm>.

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